

NATMed presents:

NATMed Final Conference

“Nature-Based Solutions for Water Resilience”

📍 Place: TAK Kadıköy (Design Atelier Kadıköy), Istanbul (Türkiye)

📅 Date: 12 March 2026

The NATMed consortium is pleased to invite you to the NATMed Final Conference, taking place on 12 March 2026 in Istanbul.

The event aims to foster dialogue on how NbS can be effectively integrated into existing infrastructures to strengthen water resilience in the Mediterranean region. Register here:

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The projects are part of the PRIMA programme supported by the European Union.

09:00 – 09:15

Welcome and Introduction

09:15 – 09:35

Key insights from PRIMA Programme – Nur Eda Demir (PO)

09:35 – 10:45

NATMed key outcomes and lessons learned

10:45 – 11:15

Advancing Climate Resilience through Smart Technologies and Community-Driven Co-Creation Strategies

Dr. Salem Gharbia, Atlantic Technological University

Addressing the challenges of sustainable water management in the Mediterranean hotspot:

11:35 – 12:00

Project flash talks: Lessons learned and impact from projects implementing NbS: OurMED, CARDIMED, SCORE.

12:00 – 13:30

Policy roundtable – From Practice to Policy: Scaling NbS for Water Management

- Prof. Yusuf Kurucu – NATMed and İzmir Metropolitan Municipality
- Prof. Akgün İlhan – Boğaziçi University
- Ms. Sule Sümer – Kadikoy Municipality
- Dr. Irem Daloglu – OurMED, Boğaziçi University
- Dr. Tadej Stepišnik – CARDIMED, National Technical University of Athens
- Dr. Salem Gharbia – SCORE, Atlantic Technological University
- Moderator: Dr. Baha Kuban, Demir Enerji.

13:30 – 14:45

Lunch

14:45 – 16:00

World Café: From pilot to mainstreaming of NbS in the Mediterranean (led by NATMed and NextGen4Med)

- **NbS implementation bottlenecks**
- **Tools for decision-making and evidence**
- **Participatory Governance**
- **Policy, Investment and replication Uptake**

16:00 – 16:15

Closure and recommendations

All day

Parallel poster exhibition